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 4) Claim(s) 1-33 is/are pending in the application. 4a) Of the above claim(s) is/are withdrawn from consideration. 5) Claim(s) is/are allowed. 6) Claim(s) 1-33 is/are rejected. 7) Claim(s) is/are objected to. 8) Claim(s) are subject to restriction and/or election requirement. 					
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DETAILED ACTION

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negatived by the manner in which the invention was made.

The factual inquiries set forth in *Graham* v. *John Deere Co.*, 383 U.S. 1, 148 USPQ 459 (1966), that are applied for establishing a background for determining obviousness under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) are summarized as follows:

- 1. Determining the scope and contents of the prior art.
- 2. Ascertaining the differences between the prior art and the claims at issue.
- 3. Resolving the level of ordinary skill in the pertinent art.
- 4. Considering objective evidence present in the application indicating obviousness or nonobviousness.

Claims 1-7, 9-15, 17-23 and 25-31 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Alperovich et al (US006119014A) in view of Laflin et al (US005705995A).

Regarding claim 1, Alperovich et al discloses a system for organizing SMS messages sent to a mobile terminal based on the location of the mobile terminal or the time of delivery of the SMS messages (see column 3, lines 26-44). An SMS message reads on the claimed "out-of-band message" because it is not carried out on the same channel that a call is carried out and there is no need to inspect the payload of in-band messages to receive a SMS message. In the system disclosed by Alperovich, a SMS message is associated with a priority indicator (see column 4, lines 7-28) and/or a

location indicator, which includes a location area where the MS should be when the SMS message is displayed (see column 5, lines 26-35). When the MS is in the area corresponding to the location indicator, the SMS message is displayed (see column 5, lines 36-49), which reads on the claimed invention that determines whether the data is appropriate for a session currently being hosted by the mobile unit and posting the data to the session if the data is appropriate for the session. Alperovich et al fails to expressly disclose determining if a message contains pushed data.

Laflin et al discloses a system for receiving incoming messages, providing a location in memory for storing the decoded messages according to categories, storing, for each such category, an associated list of identifying data, and comparing data in a decoded message to the stored identifying data. If a match is found, the decoded message is stored in memory under the category associated with the matching identifying data (see column 4, lines 51-62). One such category is referred to as information services, meaning information from a supplier (usually a commercial supplier) of information such as news, stock quotes, etc. (see column 2, lines 32-38). The information service messages read on the claimed "pushed data" because they originate from a supplier (server-initiated). The above description reads on the claimed "analyzing the message to determine if it contains pushed data".

It would have been obvious to a person of ordinary skill in the art at the time of the invention to modify Alperovich et al with Laflin et al to include the above organizing of data in order to allow the user easier access to stored information because the user can call up and display only the messages in the category or sub-category in question

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and there is no need to scroll through several categories of messages to find a specific item of information as suggested by Laflin et al (see column 12, lines 35-39).

Regarding claim 2, the combination of Alperovich et al and Laflin et al discloses that a message can be displayed at a certain time (see Alperovich et al column 4, lines 52-65), which reads on the claimed "dynamic data", and that the MS receives SMS messages and stores them within the SIM card (see Alperovich et al column 4, lines 33-37), which reads on the claimed "analyzing the data to determine if it is static or dynamic; and storing the data if it is static".

Regarding claim 3, the combination of Alperovich et al and Laflin et al discloses the use of a reminder indicator (see Alperovich et al column 4, line 66 – column 5, line 7), which reads on the claimed "analyzing the data comprises determining whether an indicator in the data indicates that the data is dynamic".

Regarding claim 4, the combination of Alperovich et al and Laflin et al discloses that once the subscriber views the SMS message 420, the subscriber has the option of erasing the SMS message from memory, storing the SMS message in memory for later retrieval, or moving the SMS message to an action list within the SIM card, or other memory. Thus, the receiving subscriber can store the SMS message until a time or location defined by the receiving subscriber occurs (see Alperovich et al column 6, lines 4-34), which reads on the claimed "determining if the data is dynamic, whether to store the data; and storing the dynamic data if it should be stored".

Regarding claim 6, the combination of Alperovich et al and Laflin et al discloses that the SMS can be displayed at predefined intervals of time or at a certain time (see

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column 4, lines 52-65), which reads on the claimed "determining whether a trigger has been met for stored dynamic data". Also, the SMS message can have location information associated with it and when the MS 400 changes location, such as when the MS 400 moves to a different location area, all location dependent messages are checked (see Alperovich et al column 5, lines 35-44), which reads on the claimed "determining, if a trigger has been met, whether the data is appropriate for a session currently being hosted by the mobile unit". Once the MS registers with the MSC/VLR for the location area corresponding to the location information, the SMS-org application will display the SMS message on the MS display to the subscriber (see Alperovich et al column 5, lines 44-49), which reads on the claimed "posting the data to the session if the data is appropriate".

Regarding claim 7, the combination of Alperovich et al and Laflin et al discloses that an SMS message can have location information associated with it and when the MS 400 changes location, such as when the MS 400 moves to a different location area, all location dependent messages are checked (see Alperovich et al column 5, lines 35-44), which reads on the claimed "detecting the initiation of a session; determining whether stored static data is appropriate for a session currently being hosted by the mobile unit". Once the MS registers with the MSC/VLR for the location area corresponding to the location information, the SMS-org application will display the SMS message on the MS display to the subscriber (see Alperovich et al column 5, lines 44-49), which reads on the claimed "posting the stored data to the session if the stored data is appropriate".

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Regarding claim 9, Alperovich et al discloses a system for organizing SMS messages sent to a mobile terminal based on the location of the mobile terminal or the time of delivery of the SMS messages (see column 3, lines 26-44). An SMS message reads on the claimed "out-of-band message" because it is not carried out on the same channel that a call is carried out and there is no need to inspect the payload of in-band messages to receive a SMS message. In the system disclosed by Alperovich, a SMS message is associated with a priority indicator (see column 4, lines 7-28) and/or a location indicator, which includes a location area where the MS should be when the SMS message is displayed (see column 5, lines 26-35). When the MS is in the area corresponding to the location indicator, the SMS message is displayed (see column 5, lines 36-49), which reads on the claimed invention that determines whether the data is appropriate for a session currently being hosted by the mobile unit and posting the data to the session if the data is appropriate for the session. These processes occur at the mobile station, which reads on the claimed invention that uses a computer processable medium with logic stored on the medium to perform the above functions. Alperovich et al fails to expressly disclose determining if a message contains pushed data.

Laflin et al discloses a system for receiving incoming messages, providing a location in memory for storing the decoded messages according to categories, storing, for each such category, an associated list of identifying data, and comparing data in a decoded message to the stored identifying data. If a match is found, the decoded message is stored in memory under the category associated with the matching identifying data (see column 4, lines 51-62). One such category is referred to as

information services, meaning information from a supplier (usually a commercial supplier) of information such as news, stock quotes, etc. (see column 2, lines 32-38). The information service messages read on the claimed "pushed data" because they originate from a supplier (server-initiated). The above description reads on the claimed "analyzing the message to determine if it contains pushed data".

It would have been obvious to a person of ordinary skill in the art at the time of the invention to modify Alperovich et al with Laflin et al to include the above organizing of data in order to allow the user easier access to stored information because the user can call up and display only the messages in the category or sub-category in question and there is no need to scroll through several categories of messages to find a specific item of information as suggested by Laflin et al (see column 12, lines 35-39).

Regarding claim 10, the combination of Alperovich et al and Laflin et al discloses that a message can be displayed at a certain time (see Alperovich et al column 4, lines 52-65), which reads on the claimed "dynamic data", and that the MS receives SMS messages and stores them within the SIM card (see Alperovich et al column 4, lines 33-37), which reads on the claimed "analyzing the data to determine if it is static or dynamic; and storing the data if it is static".

Regarding claim 11, the combination of Alperovich et al and Laflin et al discloses the use of a reminder indicator (see Alperovich et al column 4, line 66 – column 5, line 7), which reads on the claimed "analyzing the data comprises determining whether an indicator in the data indicates that the data is dynamic".

Regarding claim 12, the combination of Alperovich et al and Laflin et al discloses that once the subscriber views the SMS message 420, the subscriber has the option of erasing the SMS message from memory, storing the SMS message in memory for later retrieval, or moving the SMS message to an action list within the SIM card, or other memory. Thus, the receiving subscriber can store the SMS message until a time or location defined by the receiving subscriber occurs (see Alperovich et al column 6, lines 4-34), which reads on the claimed "determining if the data is dynamic, whether to store the data; and initiate storing the dynamic data if it should be stored".

Regarding claim 14, the combination of Alperovich et al and Laflin et al discloses that the SMS can be displayed at predefined intervals of time or at a certain time (see column 4, lines 52-65), which reads on the claimed "determine whether a trigger has been met for stored dynamic data". Also, the SMS message can have location information associated with it and when the MS 400 changes location, such as when the MS 400 moves to a different location area, all location dependent messages are checked (see Alperovich et al column 5, lines 35-44), which reads on the claimed "determine, if a trigger has been met, whether the data is appropriate for a session currently being hosted by the mobile unit". Once the MS registers with the MSC/VLR for the location area corresponding to the location information, the SMS-org application will display the SMS message on the MS display to the subscriber (see Alperovich et al column 5, lines 44-49), which reads on the claimed "post the data to the session if the data is appropriate".

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Regarding claim 15, the combination of Alperovich et al and Laflin et al discloses that an SMS message can have location information associated with it and when the MS 400 changes location, such as when the MS 400 moves to a different location area, all location dependent messages are checked (see Alperovich et al column 5, lines 35-44), which reads on the claimed "detect the initiation of a session; determine whether stored static data is appropriate for a session currently being hosted by the mobile unit". Once the MS registers with the MSC/VLR for the location area corresponding to the location information, the SMS-org application will display the SMS message on the MS display to the subscriber (see Alperovich et al column 5, lines 44-49), which reads on the claimed "post the stored data to the session if the stored data is appropriate".

Regarding claim 17, Alperovich et al discloses a system for organizing SMS messages sent to a mobile terminal based on the location of the mobile terminal or the time of delivery of the SMS messages (see column 3, lines 26-44). An SMS message reads on the claimed "out-of-band message" because it is not carried out on the same channel that a call is carried out and there is no need to inspect the payload of in-band messages to receive a SMS message. In the system disclosed by Alperovich, a SMS message is associated with a priority indicator (see column 4, lines 7-28) and/or a location indicator, which includes a location area where the MS should be when the SMS message is displayed (see column 5, lines 26-35). When the MS is in the area corresponding to the location indicator, the SMS message is displayed (see column 5, lines 36-49), which reads on the claimed invention that determines whether the data is appropriate for a session currently being hosted by the mobile unit and posting the data

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to the session if the data is appropriate for the session. Alperovich et al fails to expressly disclose determining if a message contains pushed data.

Laflin et al discloses a system for receiving incoming messages, providing a location in memory for storing the decoded messages according to categories, storing, for each such category, an associated list of identifying data, and comparing data in a decoded message to the stored identifying data. If a match is found, the decoded message is stored in memory under the category associated with the matching identifying data (see column 4, lines 51-62). One such category is referred to as information services, meaning information from a supplier (usually a commercial supplier) of information such as news, stock quotes, etc. (see column 2, lines 32-38). The information service messages read on the claimed "pushed data" because they originate from a supplier (server-initiated). The above description reads on the claimed "means for analyzing the message to determine if it contains pushed data".

It would have been obvious to a person of ordinary skill in the art at the time of the invention to modify Alperovich et al with Laflin et al to include the above organizing of data in order to allow the user easier access to stored information because the user can call up and display only the messages in the category or sub-category in question and there is no need to scroll through several categories of messages to find a specific item of information as suggested by Laflin et al (see column 12, lines 35-39).

Regarding claim 18, the combination of Alperovich et al and Laflin et al discloses that a message can be displayed at a certain time (see Alperovich et al column 4, lines 52-65), which reads on the claimed "dynamic data", and that the MS receives SMS

messages and stores them within the SIM card (see Alperovich et al column 4, lines 33-37), which reads on the claimed "means for analyzing the data to determine if it is static or dynamic; and means for storing the data if it is static".

Regarding claim 19, the combination of Alperovich et al and Laflin et al discloses the use of a reminder indicator (see Alperovich et al column 4, line 66 – column 5, line 7), which reads on the claimed "analyzing the data comprises determining whether an indicator in the data indicates that the data is dynamic".

Regarding claim 20, the combination of Alperovich et al and Laflin et al discloses that once the subscriber views the SMS message 420, the subscriber has the option of erasing the SMS message from memory, storing the SMS message in memory for later retrieval, or moving the SMS message to an action list within the SIM card, or other memory. Thus, the receiving subscriber can store the SMS message until a time or location defined by the receiving subscriber occurs (see Alperovich et al column 6, lines 4-34), which reads on the claimed "means for determining, if the data is dynamic, whether to store the data; and means for storing the dynamic data if it should be stored".

Regarding claim 22, the combination of Alperovich et al and Laflin et al discloses that the SMS can be displayed at predefined intervals of time or at a certain time (see column 4, lines 52-65), which reads on the claimed "means for determining whether a trigger has been met for stored dynamic data". Also, the SMS message can have location information associated with it and when the MS 400 changes location, such as when the MS 400 moves to a different location area, all location dependent messages

are checked (see Alperovich et al column 5, lines 35-44), which reads on the claimed "means for determining, if a trigger has been met, whether the data is appropriate for a session currently being hosted by the mobile unit". Once the MS registers with the MSC/VLR for the location area corresponding to the location information, the SMS-org application will display the SMS message on the MS display to the subscriber (see Alperovich et al column 5, lines 44-49), which reads on the claimed "means for posting the data to the session if the data is appropriate".

Regarding claim 23, the combination of Alperovich et al and Laflin et al discloses that an SMS message can have location information associated with it and when the MS 400 changes location, such as when the MS 400 moves to a different location area, all location dependent messages are checked (see Alperovich et al column 5, lines 35-44), which reads on the claimed "means for detecting the initiation of a session; means for determining whether stored static data is appropriate for a session currently being hosted by the mobile unit". Once the MS registers with the MSC/VLR for the location area corresponding to the location information, the SMS-org application will display the SMS message on the MS display to the subscriber (see Alperovich et al column 5, lines 44-49), which reads on the claimed "means for posting the stored data to the session if the stored data is appropriate".

Regarding claim 25, Alperovich et al discloses a system for organizing SMS messages sent to a mobile terminal based on the location of the mobile terminal or the time of delivery of the SMS messages (see column 3, lines 26-44). An SMS message reads on the claimed "out-of-band message" because it is not carried out on the same

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channel that a call is carried out and there is no need to inspect the payload of in-band messages to receive a SMS message. In the system disclosed by Alperovich, a SMS message is associated with a priority indicator (see column 4, lines 7-28) and/or a location indicator, which includes a location area where the MS should be when the SMS message is displayed (see column 5, lines 26-35). When the MS is in the area corresponding to the location indicator, the SMS message is displayed (see column 5, lines 36-49), which reads on the claimed data push manager that determines whether the data is appropriate for a session currently being hosted by the mobile unit and posting the data to the session if the data is appropriate for the session. Alperovich et al fails to expressly disclose determining if a message contains pushed data.

Laffin et al discloses a system for receiving incoming messages, providing a location in memory for storing the decoded messages according to categories, storing, for each such category, an associated list of identifying data, and comparing data in a decoded message to the stored identifying data. If a match is found, the decoded message is stored in memory under the category associated with the matching identifying data (see column 4, lines 51-62). One such category is referred to as information services, meaning information from a supplier (usually a commercial supplier) of information such as news, stock quotes, etc. (see column 2, lines 32-38). The information service messages read on the claimed "pushed data" because they originate from a supplier (server-initiated). The above description reads on the claimed "service access manager operable to receive an out-of-band message at a mobile unit and analyze the message to determine if it contains pushed data".

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It would have been obvious to a person of ordinary skill in the art at the time of the invention to modify Alperovich et al with Laflin et al to include the above organizing of data in order to allow the user easier access to stored information because the user can call up and display only the messages in the category or sub-category in question and there is no need to scroll through several categories of messages to find a specific item of information as suggested by Laflin et al (see column 12, lines 35-39).

Regarding claim 26, the combination of Alperovich et al and Laflin et al discloses that a message can be displayed at a certain time (see Alperovich et al column 4, lines 52-65), which reads on the claimed "dynamic data", and that the MS receives SMS messages and stores them within the SIM card (see Alperovich et al column 4, lines 33-37), which reads on the claimed "analyze the data to determine if it is static or dynamic and to initiate storing the data if it is static".

Regarding claim 27, the combination of Alperovich et al and Laflin et al discloses the use of a reminder indicator (see Alperovich et al column 4, line 66 – column 5, line 7), which reads on the claimed "analyzing the data comprises determining whether an indicator in the data indicates that the data is dynamic".

Regarding claim 28, the combination of Alperovich et al and Laflin et al discloses that once the subscriber views the SMS message 420, the subscriber has the option of erasing the SMS message from memory, storing the SMS message in memory for later retrieval, or moving the SMS message to an action list within the SIM card, or other memory. Thus, the receiving subscriber can store the SMS message until a time or location defined by the receiving subscriber occurs (see Alperovich et al column 6, lines

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4-34), which reads on the claimed "determine, if the data is dynamic, whether to store the data; and to initiate storing the dynamic data if it should be stored".

Regarding claim 30, the combination of Alperovich et al and Laflin et al discloses that the SMS can be displayed at predefined intervals of time or at a certain time (see column 4, lines 52-65), which reads on the claimed "determine whether a trigger has been met for stored dynamic data". Also, the SMS message can have location information associated with it and when the MS 400 changes location, such as when the MS 400 moves to a different location area, all location dependent messages are checked (see Alperovich et al column 5, lines 35-44), which reads on the claimed "determine, if a trigger has been met, whether the data is appropriate for a session currently being hosted by the mobile unit". Once the MS registers with the MSC/VLR for the location area corresponding to the location information, the SMS-org application will display the SMS message on the MS display to the subscriber (see Alperovich et al column 5, lines 44-49), which reads on the claimed "post the data to the session if the data is appropriate".

Regarding claim 31, the combination of Alperovich et al and Laflin et al discloses that an SMS message can have location information associated with it and when the MS 400 changes location, such as when the MS 400 moves to a different location area, all location dependent messages are checked (see Alperovich et al column 5, lines 35-44), which reads on the claimed "detect the initiation of a session; determine whether stored static data is appropriate for a session currently being hosted by the mobile unit". Once the MS registers with the MSC/VLR for the location area corresponding to the

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location information, the SMS-org application will display the SMS message on the MS display to the subscriber (see Alperovich et al column 5, lines 44-49), which reads on the claimed "post the stored data to the session if the stored data is appropriate".

Regarding claim 33, Alperovich et al discloses a system for organizing SMS messages sent to a mobile terminal based on the location of the mobile terminal or the time of delivery of the SMS messages (see column 3, lines 26-44). An SMS message reads on the claimed "out-of-band message" because it is not carried out on the same channel that a call is carried out and there is no need to inspect the payload of in-band messages to receive a SMS message. In the system disclosed by Alperovich, a SMS message is associated with a priority indicator (see column 4, lines 7-28) and/or a location indicator, which includes a location area where the MS should be when the SMS message is displayed (see column 5, lines 26-35). When the MS is in the area corresponding to the location indicator, the SMS message is displayed (see column 5, lines 36-49), which reads on the claimed invention that determines whether the data is appropriate for a session currently being hosted by the mobile unit and posting the data to the session if the data is appropriate for the session. A message can be displayed at a certain time (see column 4, lines 52-65), which reads on the claimed "dynamic data", and that the MS receives SMS messages and stores them within the SIM card (see column 4, lines 33-37), which reads on the claimed "analyzing the data to determine if it is static or dynamic" and "initiate storing the data if it is static". Once the subscriber views the SMS message 420, the subscriber has the option of erasing the SMS message from memory, storing the SMS message in memory for later retrieval, or

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moving the SMS message to an action list within the SIM card, or other memory. Thus, the receiving subscriber can store the SMS message until a time or location defined by the receiving subscriber occurs (see column 6, lines 4-34), which reads on the claimed "determine, if the data is dynamic, whether to store the data; and to initiate storing the dynamic data if it should be stored". An SMS message can have location information associated with it and when the MS 400 changes location, such as when the MS 400 moves to a different location area, all location dependent messages are checked (see column 5, lines 35-44), which reads on the claimed "detect the initiation of a session; determine whether stored static data is appropriate for a session currently being hosted by the mobile unit". Once the MS registers with the MSC/VLR for the location area corresponding to the location information, the SMS-org application will display the SMS message on the MS display to the subscriber (see column 5, lines 44-49), which reads on the claimed "post the stored data to the session if the stored data is appropriate". Alperovich et al fails to expressly disclose determining if a message contains pushed data.

Laflin et al discloses a system for receiving incoming messages, providing a location in memory for storing the decoded messages according to categories, storing, for each such category, an associated list of identifying data, and comparing data in a decoded message to the stored identifying data. If a match is found, the decoded message is stored in memory under the category associated with the matching identifying data (see column 4, lines 51-62). One such category is referred to as information services, meaning information from a supplier (usually a commercial

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supplier) of information such as news, stock quotes, etc. (see column 2, lines 32-38).

The information service messages read on the claimed "pushed data" because they originate from a supplier (server-initiated). The above description reads on the claimed "analyzing the message to determine if it contains pushed data".

It would have been obvious to a person of ordinary skill in the art at the time of the invention to modify Alperovich et al with Laflin et al to include the above organizing of data in order to allow the user easier access to stored information because the user can call up and display only the messages in the category or sub-category in question and there is no need to scroll through several categories of messages to find a specific item of information as suggested by Laflin et al (see column 12, lines 35-39).

Regarding claims 5, 13, 21, 29 and 32, the combination of Alperovich et al and Laflin et al fails to disclose an indicator to indicate that the data should be stored. However, the examiner takes official notice that the use of indicators is well known in the art and that the addition of this indicator is not critical to the invention, further, the function of determining whether to store a message is disclosed by the combination of Alperovich et al and Laflin et al (see rejections of claims 4, 12, 20, 28 and 31 above).

Claims 8, 16, 24 and 32 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Alperovich et al in view of Laflin et al as applied to claims 1, 9, 17 and 25 above, and further in view of Yuan (US20010041571A1).

Regarding claims 8, 16, 24 and 32, the combination of Alperovich et al and Laflin et al fails to disclose the use of an agent advertisement message.

Yuan discloses a system where the foreign agent 82 and the home agent 70 advertise their presence with agent advertising messages that use extensions of the router advertisement Internet Control Message Protocol (see page 2, paragraph 21).

It would have been obvious to a person of ordinary skill in the art at the time of the invention to modify the combination of Alperovich et al and Laflin et al with Yuan to include the above agent advertisement message in order to allow the foreign agent to advertise its presence as suggested by Yuan (see paragraph 21), and the combination of Alperovich et al and Laflin et al disclose the receiving of different categories of messages and this would simply be another category.

Conclusion

The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure:

Olvera-Hernandez (US 20040048627A1) discloses a method and apparatus for enhanced short message service.

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